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PATENT APPLICATION

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)


SIR:

Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the period for filing a reply in the above-identified application for:

two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2))

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